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Minimum wages for agricultural workers

* 1087 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any communication recently from the Centre regarding the fixation of minimum wages for agricultural labourers; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In October 1958 the Government of India have requested this Government to take up immediately the question of fixing minimum wages for employment in agriculture.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Handloom Cess Fund

36 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : கனம் கைத்தொழில் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவு செய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) 1958-59-ல் கைத்தறி ஜவுளி ரிபேட்டுக்காக ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவுக்கும் ஒதுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கும் தொகை எவ்வளவு?

(ஆ) 1958-ஆம் வருஷக் கடைசி வரைக்கும் ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லா விளும் செலவுபடுத்தப்பட்ட தொகை எவ்வளவு?

A.—(a) No districtwise allotment of funds is made for the payment of subsidy towards rebate allowed on the sales of handloom cloth. The claims for subsidy received from the circle of each Deputy Registrar are scrutinised and sanctioned for payment from out of the grants made to this State from Cess Fund.

(b) Districtwise particulars of subsidies towards rebate sanctioned from 1st April 1958 to 31st December 1958 are given below:—

Name of the district.	Amount of subsidy sanctioned in 1958 from 1st April 1958 to 31st December 1958.	
	RS.	NP.
1 Chingleput	69,627	92
2 Coimbatore	4,89,902	00
3 North Arcot	1,16,085	24
4 South Arcot	1,30,723	32
5 Salem	4,76,090	73
6 Madurai	1,76,295	89
7 Kanyakumari	1,61,073	59
8 Tanjore	36,839	77
9 Madras	5,84,587	92
10 Nilgiris	1,928	91
11 Ramanathapuram	15,93,253	59
12 Tirunelveli	4,99,229	11
13 Tiruchirappalli	1,26,659	28
Total	44,61,467	27

(Rupees forty four lakhs sixty-one thousand four hundred and sixty-seven and naye Paise twenty-seven only.)

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Agricultural Bank

37 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : கனம் கைத்தொழில் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

1959-ம் வருஷத்திலே ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவிலும் (1) எந்தெந்த இடங்களிலே விவசாய பாங்குகள் (Agricultural Banks) (2) எத்தனை சிறிய கூட்டுறவு சங்கங்கள் (small-sized) ஏற்படுத்த திட்டமிடப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன?

A.—A statement ^a showing the district-wise targets for the year 1958—59 is placed on the table of the House. The targets for 1959—60 have not been fixed yet.

Buses and lorries

38 Q.—SRI N. R. THIAGARAJAN : கனம் மின்சார அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

1958-ல் ஜில்லாவாரியாக ஓடும் பஸ், லாரி, பிளசர் கார்கள் எத்தனை?

A.—A statement containing the particulars is given below :—

District.	Stage carriages		Goods vehicles of		Cars.
	Route buses.	Spare buses.	Public carriers.	Private carriers.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Chingleput	321	63	225	85	382
Coimbatore	401	108	1142	257	2,701
Kanyakumari	112	40	140	12	309
Madras	326	107	804	881	10,491
Madurai	353	59	517	116	1,354
The Nilgiris	79	25	426	120	1,014
North Arcot	333	40	443	57	540
Ramanathapuram	223	40	264	34	1,010
Salem	343	68	571	51	863
South Arcot	201	29	397	41	489
Tanjore	289	46	199	62	740
Tiruchirappalli	317	51	718	110	1,270
Tirunelveli	341	41	440	96	1,263
State Transport Authority	40	10	..	..	..
Total	3,679	725	6,286	1,922	22,426

Seed farms

39 Q.—SRI V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN : கனம் உள்விவகார அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) நமது ராஜ்யத்தில் ஆரம்பிக்கப்பட்ட விதைப் பண்ணைகள் ஒவ்வென்றும் தொடர்ந்து நடைபெற்று வருகிறதா?

(ஆ) இல்லே என்றால் காரணம் என்ன?

(இ) அப்படி ஆரம்பிக்கப்பட்டு வேறு இடங்களுக்கு மாற்றப்பட்ட காரணத்தினால் ஏற்பட்ட நஷ்டம் எவ்வளவு—அல்லது செலவு எவ்வளவு—தனித் தனியாக ஒவ்வொரு பாரத்திற்கும்?

A.—(a) to (c) The answer ^b is placed on the table of the House.

^a Printed as Appendix X on pages 947–948 infra.

^b Printed as Appendix XI on page 948–949 infra.

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Intensive Manuring Scheme

40 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : கனம் உள்விவகார அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) 1958-59-ஆம் வருஷத்திய பட்ஜெட் நிதியிலிருந்து இரசாயன உரங்கள் வாங்குவதற்கு விவசாயிகளுக்கு கடன் தந்து உதவ சென்னை சர்க்காரால் ஒதுக்கப்பட்ட தொகையிலிருந்து ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவுக்கும் பகிர்ந்தளிக்கப்பட்ட தொகை எவ்வளவு?

(ஆ) ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவிலும் எத்தனை விவசாயிகளுக்கு எவ்வளவு தொகை கடனாக வழங்கப்பட்டன?

A.—The statement below furnishes the particulars:—

Statement showing the particulars regarding the allotment made for 1958-59 and the number of persons who were granted loan and the amount disbursed up to November 1958 under the Intensive Manuring Scheme.

Serial number and name of the district.	Allotment made for 1958-59.		Total number of applicants who were granted loans.		Amount disbursed.	
	Paddy.	Sugar-cane.	Paddy.	Sugar-cane.	Paddy.	Sugar-cane.
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	RS.	RS.			RS.	RS.
1 Chingleput ..	5,35,500	..	2,080	..	2,93,370	..
2 South Arcot ..	3,88,000	1,70,000	826	682	2,33,815	1,34,110
3 North Arcot ..	10,000	75,000	244	253	1,820	* 23,420
4 Tanjore ..	21,00,000	25,000	13,776	66	20,33,000	16,960
5 Tiruchirappalli.	10,00,000	4,00,000	6,668	1,425	8,02,520	2,99,745
6 Salem ..	91,000	75,000	1,157	537	67,830	71,570
7 Madurai ..	5,90,000	1,39,500	3,572	469	4,67,075	1,19,148
8 Ramanatha-puram.	40,000	50,000	826	..	22,000	..
9 Coimbatore ..	3,00,000	4,75,000	1,676	1,724	2,19,235	3,99,765
10 Tirunelveli ..	3,75,000	..	3,112	..	1,99,325	..
11 Kanyakumari.	75,565	..	833	..	57,840	..
Total ..	55,05,065	14,09,500	34,775	5,156	43,97,830	10,70,718

* Up to October 1958.

Loans to the Harijans for the purchase of bulls

41 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : கனம் பொதுமராமத்து அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) 1958-59-ஆம் வருஷத்திய பட்ஜெட் நிதியிலிருந்து ஹரிஜனங்களுக்கு ஜோடி மாடுகள் வாங்கிக் கொடுப்பதற்காக மானியமாக ஒதுக்கப்பட்ட தொகையிலிருந்து ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவுக்கும் பகிர்ந்தளிக்கப்பட்ட தொகை எவ்வளவு?

(ஆ) ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவிலும் எத்தனை ஜோடி மாடுகள் ஹரிஜனங்களுக்கு வழங்கப்பட்டன?

(இ) 1958-ஆம் வருஷக் கடைசி வரைக்கும் ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவிலும் செலவழிக்கப்பட்ட தொகை எவ்வளவு?

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A.—(a) to (c) A statement is given below :—

Statement showing the district-wise allotment for the free supply of bulls to Harijans in 1958-59 and the expenditure till 31st December 1958.

Serial number and name of the district.	Allotment in 1958-59.	Number of bulls given so far.	Amount spent up to 31st December 1958.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	RS.		RS.
1 Chingleput	1,14,000	50	12,440
2 Coimbatore	1,41,625	145	41,195
3 The Nilgiris .. .. .	.. .. .	..	..
4 Madurai	1,25,400	440	96,900
5 North Arcot	1,14,000	..	..
6 Ramanathapuram	1,19,935	86	24,510
7 Salem	1,35,945	110	27,500
8 South Arcot	1,49,055	482	1,34,430
9 Tanjore	1,35,945	298	74,500
10 Tiruchirappalli	1,04,595	30	56,430
11 Tirunelveli	1,20,840	112	30,520
12 Kanyakumari	28,500	35	17,100
13 Madras .. .. .	.. .. .	..	..
Total	12,89,890	1,788	5,15,525

Cultivation of waste lands

42 Q.—SRI A. VEDARATHNAM : கனம் உள்விவகார அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) இம்மாநிலத்திலுள்ள தரிசு நிலங்களை சாகுபடிக்குக் கொண்டு வரும் விஷயமாய் சமுதாய நலத்திட்ட ராஜ்ய ஆலோசனைக் கமிட்டி சமீபத்தில் ஏதேனும் தீர்மானம் நிறைவேற்றியிருக்கின்றதா? அதன் விவரம் என்ன?

(ஆ) இந்த ராஜ்யத்தில் சாகுபடிக்கு லாயக்கான தரிசு நிலங்கள் எவ்வளவு இருக்கிறதென்று ஜில்லாவாரியான விவரத்தை மேஜை மீது வைக்க முடியுமா?

(இ) இந்த நிலங்களை சாகுபடிக்குக் கொண்டுவர அரசாங்கம் என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுத்துக்கொண்டிருக்கிறது?

A.—(a) The State Informal Consultative Committee at its meeting held on 30th December 1958 and 31st December 1958 resolved that waste lands and lands lying fallow within the ayacut of Minor Irrigation Schemes should be brought under irrigation.

(b) A statement showing the extent of cultivable waste lands available in Madras State is given below.

(c) A note on the steps taken by the Government is given below.

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Statement showing the extend of cultivable waste lands available in the Madras State.

Name of the district.				Total extent available as at the end of December 1958.
(1)				(2)
				ACS.
1	Chingleput	..	..	7,700.56
2	North Arcot	..	..	32,912.62
3	South Arcot	..	..	62,005.60
4	Tanjore	..	..	14,166.60
5	Tiruchirappalli	..	..	6,809.40
6	Madurai	..	..	4,067.86
7	Ramanathapuram	..	..	7,756.23
8	Tirunelveli	..	..	1,842.22
9	Salem	..	..	27,049.77
10	Coimbatore	..	..	36,675.10
Total				2,000,086.12

Note on the steps taken by the Government to bring waste lands under cultivation.

Investigation on the possibilities of reclamation and development of waste lands was first initiated in the year 1950 and when the Government sanctioned a Special Agricultural Engineering staff headed by an Assistant Agricultural Engineer for carrying out a detailed investigation of compact blocks of waste lands in the districts of Nellore, Ramanathapuram, Salem and South Arcot of the Composite Madras State. The special staff listed up lands in compact blocks, excluding area proposed to be developed as forests, barren hillocks, grazing grounds and areas under Sivoijama occupation and gathered information on various points such as serial number of the fields, classification of lands, extend, nature of soil available natural sources of irrigation, nature of reclamation required, willingness of parties to take up reclamation work (in case of patta lands), etc., after field to field inspection. Following this survey, the Government examined the steps to be taken for bringing under cultivation, the various categories of land lying waste and issued orders on the course of action to be taken as indicated below :—

Category of lands.

Course suggested for bringing under cultivation.

(1)	(2)
(a) Patta lands fit for immediate cultivation requiring neither reclamation or provision of irrigation facilities.	Enforcement of the provision of the Madras Land Utilisation Order, 1950.
(b) Patta lands which can be brought under cultivation, if loans are granted.	Grant of interest free loans under the Land Improvement Loan Act.
(c) Patta lands lying waste for want of irrigation facilities.	(i) Restoration of registered sources by carrying out the necessary repairs to them ; (ii) Execution of new irrigation works wherever possible. Concrete proposals to be submitted to Government.

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*Category of lands.**Course suggested for bringing under cultivation.*

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| <p>(d) Patta lands lying waste for want of reclamation and irrigation facilities.</p> <p>(e) Patta lands lying waste requiring only the reclamation and the parties are willing to have the reclamation done.</p> <p>(f) Patta lands lying waste for want of reclamation the parties desiring to have the work done by Government themselves and to pay the charges in easy instalments.</p> <p>(g) Compact blocks of Government waste lands.</p> | <p>[Vide the courses approved for item () and (c) above.]</p> <p>Grant of interest free loans to pay hire charges for the tractors engaged.</p> <p>Undertaking of such reclamation work in deserving cases after obtaining the specific orders of the Government.</p> <p>Outright assignment to landless poor, where dry cultivation is possible without much expenditure by way of reclamation. Lands requiring considerable reclamation and provision of irrigation facilities should wait till the improvements could be carried out by Government.</p> |
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Considering the need for bringing under the plough as large extents of fallow lands as possible, the Government ordered that the regular revenue staff might be entrusted with the work of survey of the waste lands and this work was completed by the Collectors by the middle of 1957. With a view to bring these waste lands under cultivation, the Government instructed the Board of Revenue to obtain from the Collectors details of blocks of waste lands and the follow up action required to be taken and to formulate a detailed programme of work to be done for each district. The work in this regard is reviewed each half year.

Slaughter-houses

43 Q.—SRI V. SANKARAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

- (a) the number of licenced slaughter houses;
- (b) the number of cows and calves slaughtered in the above houses in each district in 1947-48, 1950-51, 1953-54, 1955-56 and 1957-58; and
- (c) the number of butchers in the said districts to whom licences to slaughter cows and calves were granted in the said years?

A.—(a) to (c) The time and labour involved in gathering the particulars will not be commensurate with the result to be achieved.

Tuberculosis patients in the Government Hospital, Coimbatore

44 Q.—SRI N. MARUDHACHALAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

- (a) the number of Tuberculosis patients treated in the Government hospital, Coimbatore in 1958;

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- (b) the number admitted in the hospital during the said year;
- (c) the number in the waiting list; and
- (d) the number of workers among them?

A.—(a) 600.

(b) 128.

(c) 142.

(d) No worker under the employees' State Insurance Scheme is in the waiting list.

[Note.—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(1) NOMINATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS TO ASSOCIATE WITH THE COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

MR. SPEAKER: I have to announce that the following five Members have been nominated by the Madras Legislative Council to associate with the Committee on Estimates of the Legislative Assembly for the financial year 1959-60:—

1 Sri V. M. Surendram.

2 „ S. R. P. Ponnuswamy Chettiar.

3 „ A. Subramanyam.

4 „ L. S. Karayalar.

5 „ V. V. Ramaswami.

IV.—ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS *RE* REDRESSAL OF GRIEVANCES OF MERCHANTS DEALING IN PERISHABLES.

MR. SPEAKER: I have received notice of two adjournment motions, one from the hon. Member Sri N. K. Palanisami and another from the hon. Member Sri P. S. Chinnadurai. The motion given notice of by the hon. Member Sri Palaniswami wants to discuss the failure of the Government to settle the grievances of the merchants dealing in perishables throughout the State. When this question was raised recently by another hon. Member I told him that he can put a short notice question to the Hon. Minister concerned and get the necessary information. A short notice question was admitted and the Hon. Minister answered the question and number of supplementaries were also allowed on the question. Now, what are we going to do by allowing this adjournment motion? It is not possible during Budget time to allow an adjournment motion. We are going to discuss the Appropriation Bill today. If the hon. Member Sri Palaniswami gets a chance—I emphasise the word 'if' he can raise the question during the discussion on the Appropriation Bill and the Hon. Minister will in his reply answer it. Therefore I cannot allow the adjournment motion. I rule it out of order.

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